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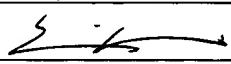
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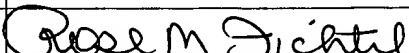
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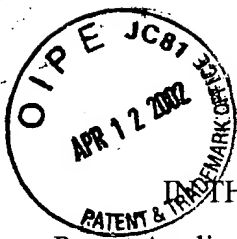
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METHOD THEREOF)

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action of March 4, 2002, please amend the subject application
as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Cancel claims 49-54 without prejudice to Applicants' right to file a divisional application
with respect thereto.

REMARKS

In response to the election requirement in the Office Action of March 4, 2002, Applicants
hereby elect without traverse the Group I claims - that is, claims 28-48 drawn to a semiconductor
device. Examination on the merits is requested.

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